REMARKS

This is in response to the final rejection mailed August 25, 2004. The Official Action indicated that claims 6-8, 12 and 14 were allowed, and that claims 3 and 5 were objected to as being dependent upon a rejected base claim.

By this Amendment, claim 3 has been amended to incorporate the subject matter of claim 1 (with clarification such that the objection to claim 1 is overcome), and claim 5 also has been amended to incorporate the subject matter of claims 1 and 2, again with the language of claim 1 clarified.

Claims 1, 2, 9-11 and 13 have been canceled by this Amendment.

It is thus respectfully believed that the claims remaining in this application are all allowable, and favorable action to allow the application is respectfully requested.

The Director is authorized to charge any fee deficiency required by this paper or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 23-1123.

Respectfully submitted,

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